STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; X-Linked Hypophosphatemia (XLH) is a rare, inherited genetic disorder that affects about one in 20,000 newborns according to the National Institute of Health; and

WHEREAS; the disorder is characterized by the excessive loss of phosphate, leading to serious and debilitating effects on patients' bones, teeth, joints, muscles, hearing, and nervous system; and

WHEREAS; XLH patients and their families often encounter a variety of problems outside of the illness itself, such as difficulty obtaining accurate and timely diagnoses, finding effective treatment options, and affording appropriate treatments; and

WHEREAS; while XLH has no cure, dedicated researchers around the world continue their efforts to understand how genetic mutations work and advance treatments, with the hope that one day a cure will be found; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin joins X-Linked Hypophosphatemia patients, their families, and advocacy organizations, such as the XLH Network, in raising awareness of the disorder, promoting educational programs for new parents and healthcare providers, and embracing hope for a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim June 2020 as

XLH AWARENESS MONTH

and June 23, 2020, as

XLH AWARENESS DAY

ighout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 4th day of June 2020.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

B e Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State